

REMARKS

Claims 4 and 10-15 are pending. Claims 4, 10, 12, 13 and 15 are to be in independent form. Claim 3 is canceled.

The Advisory Action dated November 8, 2007 and the Final Office Action both indicate that claims 4 and 10-15 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form. Claims 4, 10, 12, 13 and 15 are rewritten into independent form. Claims 11 and 14 depend from claims 10 and 14, respectively.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that the instant application is in condition for allowance.

In view of the above, Applicants respectfully submit that their claimed invention is allowable and ask that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 and the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103 be reconsidered and withdrawn. Applicants respectfully submit that this case is in condition for allowance and allowance is respectfully solicited.

If any points remain at issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the local exchange number listed below.

AMENDMENT Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116

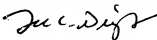
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If this paper is not timely filed, Applicants respectfully petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fees for such an extension or any other fees that may be due with respect to this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-2866.

Respectfully submitted,

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